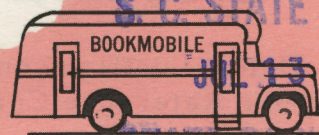


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SLB DIRECTOR CITED

Miss Estellene P. Walker, director of the South Carolina State Library Board, has been selected by The Progressive Farmer as 1967 Woman of the Year in Service to Rural Families in South Carolina. Announcement of the award is made in the magazine's January issue.

"Lives of rural South Carolina homemakers are richer, broader, and deeper because of the influence of Estellene Walker," say The Progressive Farmer editors.

Miss Walker received a bachelor of arts degree in library science from Emory University after graduating from the University of Tennessee.

She began her career as a library assistant at Lawson McGhee Library in Knoxville, Tennessee, and became head of her department. Between 1941 and 1946, she served the Armed Forces as post librarian at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, and in the European Theater.

When Miss Walker became director of the South Carolina State Library Board in 1946, 44 per cent of the people in the state were without public library service. By 1967 that figure had been reduced to 2 per cent. In 1946 the state library system had fewer than 800,000 books on its shelves, now it can boast of over two million.

From the beginning Miss Walker has administered a state-wide program of aid to county libraries. State aid has increased from \$14,000 to nearly \$500,000. Public library income has increased from \$320,000 to nearly 2-1/2 million dollars.

Miss Walker received the following telegram from the honorable Robert E. McNair, Governor of South Carolina:

"Congratulations on your award as Woman of the Year in Service to South Carolina Agriculture. It is appropriate that you have achieved this recognition in view of your many outstanding contributions to the general welfare of all South Carolina Farmers."

TWO CONSULTANTS JOIN SLB STAFF

Mrs. Mildred K. Hulme, until recently Head of Reference of the Dearborn, Michigan Public Library, became the Reference Consultant of the State Library Board on January 2, 1968.

Mrs. Hulme, a native of Detroit, attended Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan and received her library degree from Western Reserve. She has had experience in special as well as public libraries.

She was Chairman of the Michigan Chapter of the Special Libraries Association (1963-64) and Chairman of the Reference Section, Michigan Library Association (1950-51).

Leon Bernstein, an M.L.S. graduate of the New York State University at Albany also joined the staff of the State Library Board on January 2. Mr. Bernstein is the Consultant in charge of Special Programs. This is a new position which involves the establishment of library services in State Institutions and the development of services to the handicapped. Library service to the blind will also be Mr. Bernstein's responsibility.

Mr. Bernstein who has had experience as a teacher and a librarian holds an M.A. in Guidance from Columbia University as well as his library degree.

CATALOGING WORKSHOPS CONTINUED

The series of Cataloging Workshops offered by the State Library Board will continue with two more sessions in 1968. The workshops are designed to aid public libraries in the solution of problems arising from the adoption of the revised Anglo-American Cataloging Code and other problems in technical processes. The sessions are being conducted by Mrs. Janet Fresch Paris, Chief Cataloger of the South Carolina State Library Board. Workshops are held in the meeting room of the Richland County Public Library.

The second workshop, to be held on Thursday, January 25, will be attended by representatives of the following county and regional libraries: Beaufort, Cherokee, Chester, Colleton, Lancaster, Florence, Newberry-Saluda, and Oconee. Librarians of fourteen county and regional libraries have been invited to the third workshop on Tuesday, February 20; they are Allendale-Hampton-Jasper, Berkeley, Calhoun, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Fairfield, Georgetown, Kershaw, Lee, Marion, Marlboro, Orangeburg, and Union.

Continuing in the series "Our Library Leadership", this month's story features J. Frank Nolen, chairman of the Trustee Section of the South Carolina Library Association.

Our Library Leadership...



A native of Alabama, Frank Nolen came to Florence in 1935 with J. C. Penny Company and became manager in 1936. He is currently an advertising consultant in specialty advertising and executive gifts.

Active in community and civic affairs, Mr. Nolen has served as vice-president, Florence Chamber of Commerce; district governor, Carolina District Kiwanis International; chairman, International Committee on Kiwanis Education and Fellowship; and member, Board of Trustees, District 1.

As chairman of the Trustee Section of SCLA, Mr. Nolen also devotes a large portion of his time to public library service. He was chairman of the Florence Public Library Board and is presently chairman of the Florence County Library's Building and Grounds Committee. He also served as a member of SCLA's Steering Committee which conducted a successful campaign last year for increased state-aid to public libraries.

Trustees of a public library have a special challenge, regardless of the size of the library. One of the best ways to help achieve the all-important purpose of bettering an individual library is for the trustee to educate himself in trusteeship. He should also explore and use modern methods for broadening the library's resources and facilities. In addition, total state service, as well as local service is the concern of every effective trustee. What have you done for your library lately?

TRUSTEES ENDORSE INCREASED STATE AID

J. Frank Nolen, Chairman, S.C.L.A. Trustee Section, has written to public librarians and trustees urging action to insure legislative approval of an additional 5¢ per capita for State Aid for public libraries.

In 1966-67 a concerted effort on the part of trustees, librarians and Friends of Libraries resulted in an increase in State Aid to public libraries to 20¢ per capita. The goal of the campaign was 25¢ per capita.

The State Library Board has included in its budget request to the Budget and Control Board, the amount necessary to provide the additional 5¢. Mr. Nolen points out that it is the job of trustees, librarians and friends to make sure that the State Legislature approves this increase.

Mr. Nolen requests that he be notified how each legislator reacts to the matter of the increase. He wants to know who is in favor, against or undecided. A postcard with the legislators name and his reaction will suffice. Address Mr. Nolen at Box 406, Florence, South Carolina 29501.

WIDE SPREAD CIRCULATION OF REPORT ON TELECOPIER EXPERIMENT

A final report on the three-month experimental demonstration with the Xerox Magnavox Telecopier was made early in September. Entitled Telefacsimile Communication with Xerox Magnovox Telecopier in Reference and Interlibrary Loans, the report was prepared by Charles H. Busha, Reference Consultant, and John H. Landrum, Reference Librarian.

As a result of articles in the September News for Public Libraries and the October 15 Library Journal requests for copies of the report have far exceeded the supply. The Xerox Corporation published a second printing of the report for the State Library Board but the additional copies were quickly exhausted.

Copies of the report have been forwarded to public libraries, state library agencies, college and university libraries and special libraries in practically every state, Canada, England, Scotland, Holland and Germany.

Since the experiment was one of the major facsimile programs of the year it will be reported at the Midwinter meeting of the ALA (RLMS) telefacsimile Committee. The Chairman has invited SLB Director, Estellene P. Walker to meet with the committee.

BOOKMARKS, ANYONE?

Montreal's new subway -- the Metro -- has had an unexpected mystery. More pasteboard transfers are dispensed by automatic machines than actually are used for connecting rides. Perplexed officials found that Montrealers take transfers to serve as bookmarks.

WE BLUSH WITH PRIDE!

At its annual meeting on December 12, the Board of Trustees of the Charleston County Library adopted this resolution:

Resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Charleston County Library thank Miss Estellene P. Walker, Director of the S.C. State Library Board, and the Staff of the State Library Board for their constructive leadership and effective assistance to libraries in South Carolina and to the Charleston County Library. The Charleston County Library Board and Staff are deeply appreciative of the work of the State Library Board.

Mrs. C. E. Bethea, Dillon County Librarian in the Dillon Herald:

"You have a great source of knowledge in being able to draw on the Extension Service of the State Library Board. It is filling a great need in lending Dillon County Library materials now available in the county. Many expensive, rare and unusual books have been used by our patrons to aid them in improving their educational status in colleges and in schools of the county. It is a great satisfaction to an educator to provide for those who need this service,....."

NEWS OF LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION

Ground Breaking At Seneca

Hailing the fruition of efforts to obtain a library as a classic example of cooperation, Congressman W. J. Bryan Dorn addressed those gathered for ground breaking for the building to house the Seneca Branch of the Oconee County Library.

Dewey Sharon, Chairman of the building committee presided and introduced Mayor Percy Wells who introduced Congressman Dorn.

R. E. Hughes, Chairman of the S. C. Appalachian Commission and Mrs. W. R. Ballenger, Chairman of the Oconee County Library Board spoke briefly.

Architects for the \$99,500 buildings are Kirk R. Craig and F. Earle Gaulden of Craig and Gaulden, Greenville. Prime contractor is M. L. Garrett Construction Company, Greenville. The 4,400 sq. ft. building will be of brick veneered construction. The front and rear walls will be glass. It will be financed by an LSCA Grant of \$50,000 from the State Library Board, \$13,860 from the Appalachian Commission, supplemented by \$34,640 in local funds.

Construction Contract For Charleston Branch

The contract for the construction of the Dart Hall Branch of the Charleston County Library has been awarded to the Palmetto Construction Company.

The 6,300 sq. ft. building of which Demetrios C. Liollo is architect, will cost \$171,800, which includes a \$50,000 LSCA grant from the State Library Board.

Newberry's Request For Construction Grant Approved

The State Library Board has approved the application of the Newberry-Saluda Board for a \$50,000 grant for the renovation of the old post office building in Newberry to serve as headquarters for the Regional Library. Bids for the project are being advertised.

Applications For Construction Grants

Applications in process are those for the Abbeville County headquarters of the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library; the Bamberg County headquarters of ABBE Regional Library; headquarters for the Berkeley, Greenville and the Pickens County Libraries and the Landrum branch of the Spartanburg County Library.

PUBLICITY GUIDE FOR A BUILDING PROGRAM

As an aid in Title II (Construction) Programs and as a part of its continuing program of library interpretation the State Library Board has prepared an outline for guidance in preparing a publicity campaign in connection with building or remodelling a library building.

Entitled, Publicity Guide for a New Library Building, the brochure suggests publicity methods for use from the time the decision to build or renovate is made to the open house and dedication. It is in two parts. Part I is Laying the Groundwork Through Public Support and Part II, The Building Goes Up.

Throughout the guide stress is put upon the fact that publicity and good public relations are vital in a building program.

LIBRARY SERVICE TO THE DISADVANTAGED

South Carolina was well represented at the Institute on Public Library Service to the Disadvantaged sponsored by the Emory University Division of Librarianship with the co-operation of Atlanta University School of Library Service, December 7-8. Scholarships were granted by the State Library Board to Laura Smith Ebaugh, Adult Education Associate, Greenville County Library; Mrs. George S. King, Children's Services Librarian, Richland County Library; Gloria Lindler, Extension Librarian, Spartanburg County Library; and to Mrs. Rebecca Stepney, Dart Hall Branch Librarian, Charleston County Library. Also attending were Estellene P. Walker, SLB Director, Mary Cox, Assistant Librarian, and Margaret Mahan, Director, Children's Services, Greenville County Library, and Mrs. James A. Bellamy, member of the Greenville Board of Trustees.

Representatives from the Headstart Program identified the disadvantaged and pointed out the importance of books to such groups.

Pauline Winnick, Public Library Specialist, U. S. Office of Education spoke on the role of the Public Library. Mildred Hennessy, Assistant Chief Librarian, Queens Borough Public Library; Miss Winnick and Meredith Bloss, Librarian New Haven Free Public Library, discussed Public Library Service to Disadvantaged Children, Young Adults and Adults. Following their presentations the conference concluded with a discussion moderated by Patricia A. McKenzie, Instructor, Emory University Division of Librarianship.

MODIFIED MAILING RATE FOR LIBRARIES

A compromise version of the postal-pay bill which includes a 5 plus 2 rate for libraries has been approved and signed by the President. Previous to this, the Senate had voted to trim the proposed House-passed library rate of 8¢ for the first two pounds and 3¢ for each additional pound.

Beginning January 7, 1968, under the new special fourth-class library rate, it will cost 5 cents for the first pound and 2 cents for each additional pound to mail books, records, films and other materials to and from libraries and nonprofit organizations.

Thanks to Senator Hollings

Senator Ernest F. Hollings, a member of the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, lent his support to the modification of postal rates for libraries. Everyone, not just those who were in touch with him about this vital matter, should write Senator Hollings (Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C. 20510) expressing appreciation for his efforts.

YOURS FOR THE ASKING

A limited number of some of the volumes of the Historical Records Survey, W.P.A., are available for free distribution on a first come, first served basis to S. C. county and regional libraries. If you would like any or all of the following address the State Library Board, Attention, Technical Services: No. 3, Allendale County; No. 4, Anderson County; No. 11, Cherokee County; No. 17, Dillon County; No. 21, Florence County; No. 27, Jasper County; No. 40, Richland County; No. 41, Saluda County.

1968 ALA MIDWINTER MEETING

The Americana Hotel, Bal Harbour, Miami Beach will serve as headquarters for the ALA Midwinter Meeting January 8 - 13.

In addition to Council and Executive Board meetings, the weeks activities will include the regular working meetings of committees and boards of official ALA units.

Estellene P. Walker, Director of the State Library Board, will attend the sessions. As president of the Association of State Libraries she will preside over its meetings and participate in the Council meetings.

WOULD YOU BELIEVE TWINS?

The State Library Board has had the pleasure of announcing the births of "library" babies over the years. Not believing in doing things by halves it now has the honor of announcing "State Library Board" twins. Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Jones are the proud parents of twin daughters born December 17. Mrs. Jones has held the top secretarial post at the State Library Board for the past 6 years.

OF LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

A check for \$3,000 from Cryovac has brought to \$12,200 the funds for renovation of the Simpsonville Branch (Greenville County Library). The goal is \$17,000.

Mrs. Rouse Huff, a graduate of the University of North Carolina Library School, is a part time assistant at the Calhoun County Library.

The Hampton County Library (A-H-J Regional) Board has voted to redecorate the library and install a new lighting system. Additional shelving to take care of new volumes will be added to the reference room.

Mrs. James M. Bradford who has been connected with the Chester County Library for some 20 years as branch and bookmobile librarian will join the staff of the York County Library on January 2.

The Greenville County Library Board has approved the expenditure of \$1,600 - 2,000 for records and color slides.

More than 100 students from the primary grades of Our Lady of Peace School visited the Nancy Carson Branch of the ABBE Regional Library during the first week in December. After a tour of the building members of the North Augusta Women's Club presented a stick puppet show. "How the Elephant Got His Trunk".

The Sertoma Club, which actively supports the library has built shelves for the storytime room of the Florence County Library.

Mrs. Kathleen McCabe, a member of the staff of the Greenwood County Library (now Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library) for almost 35 years was honored by the staff and the Greenwood County Library Board. The staff presented a pair of silver candelabra and the Board, a silver bowl, to Mrs. McCabe. While Mrs. McCabe officially retired on December 31 she will continue as a part time staff member.

Best wishes to Gloria Lindler who was married to Mitchell Patton of Spartanburg on December 10. Miss Lindler is Extension Librarian of the Spartanburg County Library.

Dorothy C. Smith, formerly a member of the SLB staff now with the New York State Library has been promoted to Supervisor of General Field Services - Section B of the Division of Library Development. She joined the division in 1963 and has worked as a general public library consultant and with the Services Title of LSCA.

Mrs. Bert Walker has resigned as librarian of the Seneca Branch of the Oconee County Library after many years of service. Her resignation is effective January 8 and her successor has not been appointed.

The Beaufort County Library presented a Christmas present to delinquent borrowers. Fines were suspended on all overdue books returned during the period December 22 through January 1.

Mrs. Claudia Peebles has succeeded Elizabeth McNab as President of the Barnwell (ABBE Regional) Friends of the Library.

GREENVILLE'S PARTICIPATION IN LOCAL AND STATE ACTIVITIES

Mr. Charles E. Stow, Librarian and Laura S. Ebaugh, Adult Education Associate, Greenville County Library have prepared an interesting resume of the library's involvement in local and state activities. In addition to listing the groups served by the library, the clubs, organizations and individuals who are contributing their services and support to the library are included. Members of the staff and board who are serving on statewide committees and those who participated in statewide conference are also listed.

YOUR PROBLEMS

by

Anne Library

Dear Anne,

In view of all the recent workshops I have attended on how to run my library "good", meaning more efficiently, I would like to get on my soap box and declare that this efficiency can be an inadequate trait when other qualities are lacking.

For instance... Even if the person at the circulation desk can check out 5 books in 5 seconds (Wow!), if she is a cold, stoneyhearted creature who hardly recognizes the existence of the poor patron who stands quaking in his boots on the opposite side of the desk, then I say this is the last person in the world needed at a circulation desk - or at any task that involves the public. Give me a bright, friendly, pleasant face who might take as much as 8 seconds to check out those 5 books!

Now please don't get me wrong, Anne, I m not anti-efficiency; far from it. I'm just saying that desirable as efficiency is, by itself it is simply inadequate.

Friendly

Dear Friendly,

Efficiency is important but if it results in poor public relations there's something wrong. Maybe it should be like a lady's slip - essential but not to be revealed to the public.

Anne

CAROLINIANA

Crawford, Matsu Wofford. To Make the Wounded Whole. Zondervan \$3.95

(The author of this novel is a member of a well known South Carolina family which includes Azile and Thomas Wofford)

Draper, Lyman C. King's Mountain and its Heroes. Genealogical Publishing Co. 521-23 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. \$12.50 (Order from the publisher)

Elliott, William. Carolina Sports by Land and Water. Arno Press, 4 East 43rd Street, New York, New York 10017 \$5.95

Graydon, Nell S. Eliza of Wappoo. R. L. Bryan Co. \$8.00 (Novel based on life of Eliza Lucas Pinckney)

Rees, Ennis. Brer Rabbit and His Tricks. Young Scott Books \$3.95 (Reinforced edition)
(An English professor at the University of South Carolina has recreated 3 Uncle Remus stories in rhymed verse)

Waring, Joseph Ioor. A History of Medicine in South Carolina 1825-1900. S. C. Medical Association \$7.70. Order from Historical Committee, S. C. Medical Association, 80 Barre Street, Charleston, S. C. 29401

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